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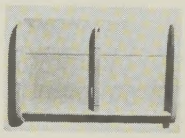

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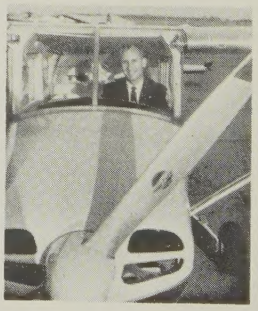
P. Kienel H. Wilson

FOR HIS UNSPEAKABLE GIFT!

GRATITUDE and joy spring up in our heart when we think of Christmas. The very heart of the gospel — the good news which has made men, women and children overflow with gladness throughout the years — is the fact that God gave His unspeakable . . . His own beloved Son . . . on that first Christmas nearly two thousand years ago. This is the message that makes Christmas meaningful.

Christmas Greetings from the Editorial Staff

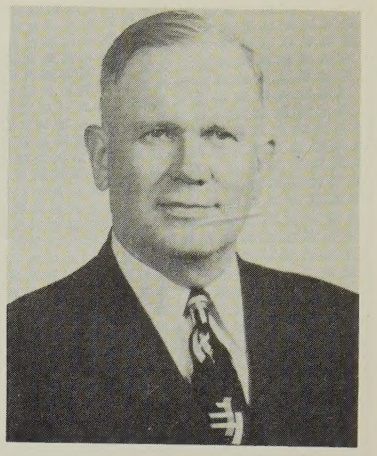


The Cover Picture

District C.A. President Walt Boring is the only D-CAP in the nation that makes flying his main mode of transportation.

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM
OUR GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

BORN TO BE KING



R. M. RIGGS
General Superintendent

Dear friends of the Northern California and Nevada District of the Assemblies of God:

SINCERE Christmas greetings in the name of Him Who was born to be King!

When the wise men came from the east to find the baby Jesus, they asked, Where is he that is born to be king of the Jews? Matthew 2:3. Born to be King! Pilate asked Him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born. John 18:37. And then Jesus was nailed to the cross, there was a superscription written and placed over His head, "This is Jesus the king of the Jews." Matthew 27:37. When He shall come again in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory, He shall have on His vesture and on His thigh a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords. Revelation 19:16. "Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory." Psalm 24:10.

These are days of tumult and rebellion. Great international tensions have gripped the nations. Titanic powers are pushing against each other, either in attempted aggression or in self-defense. Nations individually also are being torn by internal trife and contention. Our own fair land is not exempt.

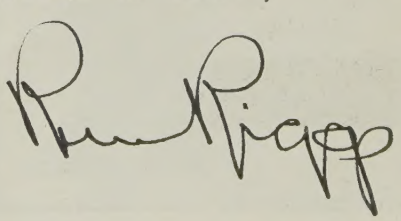
Regardless of political affiliation, many hearts in America are taking comfort in the presence in the White House of a mature man of experience and poise. Aside from his critics, America relies strongly upon this man's judgment, wisdom and ability to stand firmly amid the threats and pressures of the current universal political scene. Of how much greater comfort and assurance can the Christian be in the presence of the great Man who sits at the right hand of His Father in the White House of the sky. All-serene, all-sagacious and all-powerful. "The whole world is in His powerful hand." He is indeed King of kings and Lord of lords. Heathen kings, Moslem kings, Communistic kings, atheistic kings, intractable kings, intransigent kings, surly kings and burly kings, crafty kings and drunken kings. All kings are in His mighty hand.

His kingship extends even further. He is king over demons. With authority he commanded even the unclean spirits, and they obeyed him. Mark 1:27. He is king over wind and waves, for they said, "What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!" Matthew 8:27. He is king over sickness, for He healed all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people, and as many as touched Him were made perfectly whole. Matthew 4:23; 14:36. He is King over angels, for twelve legions of angels were at His command in Gethsemane. Matthew 26:53. And He is king over death itself for He commanded and death released Lazarus from its grasp. Neither could it hold Christ himself on that glorious first Easter morning. In the words of Pilate, we would say to all the world, Behold your King!

But what wondrous thing is this that a king, such a king, should condescend to become a helpless human babe? Did He come seeking more worlds to conquer? Yes, just that — but in a different and gracious way. He would conquer sin as well. Not to become king of sin, but to destroy him who is king of sin, that is, the devil. And in destroying sin, He would set us sinners free from the power and guilt of sin and thus drive Satan and sin back out of His universe and off into outer darkness. He fights, He triumphs, and Satan is a defeated foe. Get on God's winning side. Desert the devil and join the ranks of the conquering Christ, for in His name we too shall triumph over all the power of the devil!

With best Christian love to you all and best wishes for a triumphant New Year, I remain

Your brother in Christ,



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Recently Revivaltime, the national radio broadcast for the Asse
time the broadcast has been released from Northern California but
Revivaltime choir, Bethel Temple's fifty voice choir sang under the di
gram was the testimony of Mayor Enoch Christoffersen a member o
capacity crowd of more than 600 attended.

Radio in 1957

By E. M. CLARK
National Secretary of Radio for the Assemblies of God

WHAT IS television doing to radio? How is it affecting the listening audience? Is anyone listening to radio? These are questions that are asked almost everywhere I go. They are good questions. They show that the people who ask them are in the habit of thinking.

Television is another competitor in the market. Of course it affects radio. We have three big medias of advertising today. The newspaper, radio and television. Each one is good in its own field. No one of these advertising mediums completely cancels out another.

It is interesting to note that according to the county-wide business analysis firm of Sindlinger and Company, 6,000,000 more people were listening to radio last summer than those watching TV. This, of course, may not be a steady pattern, but according to this report 70,000,000 people were listening to radio last June and an equal number watching TV. By July 20th radio had gained 2,000,000 and TV had dropped 4,000,000.

Since 1948 when TV really came into its own, the number of radio stations has increased 64%. The present number is 3,744. The number of TV stations in operation as of August 1st was 500. Time sales for radio shows a definite upward swing for the year 1957 and the past year showed the greatest sale of radio sets in any year in history. No, radio is not dead by any means. It is true that radio must compete with television and for this reason its effectiveness is cut down especially at certain hours of the day. BUT THERE IS STILL A TREMENDOUS RADIO AUDIENCE OUT THERE.

This is proved by the fact that when we offer something interesting that people really want, our mail will go up to 1,500 to 1,700 letters a day

Revival Time at TURLOCK

was released from Bethel Temple in Turlock. This not only is the first me it has ever been sponsored in a single church. In place of the regular valtime's Musical Director, Cyril McLellan. A special feature of the pro- e. National Director of Radio T. F. Zimmerman was the announcer. A

on REVIVALTIME. Does this mail come from certain areas? This question is asked many times. Here's the answer. The weak place in the United States is especially the Mormon area. There is a strong mail pull from the East Coast, the West Coast and the Southern States, and an average mail pull from the Mid-western States, known as the Bible Belt. The strongest foreign mail pull has come from Jamaica and British Guiana, with just a trickle of mail coming from other places in many different parts of the world.

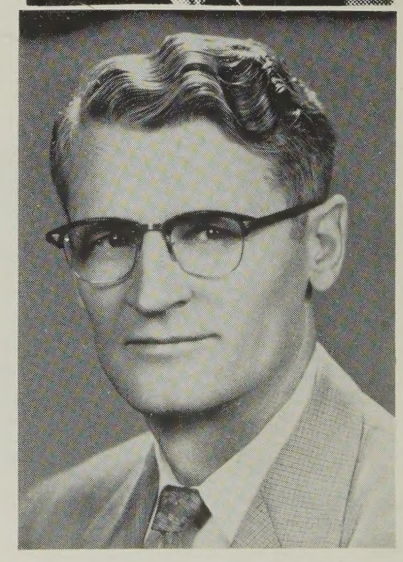
Radio lends itself to the preaching of the gospel. EVERY WEEK testimonies roll into this office from people in every walk of life who have been saved, healed, reclaimed, family trouble solved. . . Just so many wonderful things it would take too much space to tell about it. AND — it never stops. This goes on week after week, fifty-two weeks of the year . . . Always fruitful.

Thousands of souls were won to Christ through the medium of radio in the past year.

Another interesting proof of radio's effectiveness is the fact that when we have an outside of Springfield origination of REVIVALTIME and announce it to the audience, the crowds are invariably the largest in history for the place. Anywhere form 30 to 60% of the audience is made up of denominations other than Assemblies of God.

REVIVALTIME is reaching every stratum of society, not only here, but in every nation where it is heard. It is a miracle of radio broadcasting. My prayer is that your district can have complete coverage and that it will be a real Home Missionary to help you reach the THOUSANDS in your district who can never be reached by any other means. ◆End

T. F. Zimmerman
National
Director
of Radio.



E. M. Clark
National
Secretary
of Radio.

Walt comes for a service. Postor Lowell Hooper greets him at airport.

WALT BORING IS PRESIDENT OF 4,000 C.A.'s IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

OUR FLYING C. A.

With an initial investment of $300.00 Walt Boring has saved $900.00

CHRIST'S Ambassador President, Walt Boring, travels more than fifty thousand miles a year in his District activities in Northern California and Nevada. His duties are varied and many. He does everything from speaking at banquets to hauling chairs to a Speed-The-Light Rally. He must constantly be "on the go" ready to answer any one of the many needs that might arise among the four thousand C.A.'s in our district.

The last three and one-half years that Brother Boring has been in office, he has discovered that flying is the most economical and by far the fastest means of transportation. He says he has never regretted his three hundred dollar investment with James Durkin and Sam Wright in their nine hundred dollar Taylor Craft airplane. With this plane, D-CAP Boring is not more than three and one-half hours from the farthest point in Northern California and most of the cities in Nevada. He states that he averages 20 miles per gallon and travels one-third less miles by traveling the "way the crow flies."

You will be interested to know that Walt Boring has recently been appointed along with three other District C. A. Presidents to serve on the National C.A. Executive Committee. He also, at the last General Council, was asked to serve on the C.A. General Council Committee.

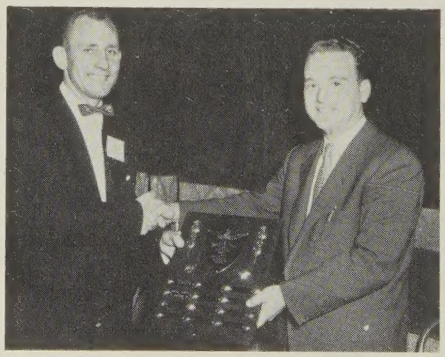
Bro. Boring who is thirty-three years old, lives with his family at Elk Grove (near Sacramento). He and his wife Katy, with whom he has recently celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary, are the parents of two children, Linda fourteen and Walt Jr., ten.

When talking to Walt Boring, one usually finds that after the weather conversation has subsided he will steer the discussion into some adventurous deed of his family. According to Bro. Boring there just isn't a baseball player like Walt Jr. anywhere and daughter Linda is the best C.A. in the whole district. Sister Boring (Katy) is never left out of the story for she not only has courageously maintained the family responsibilities at home but is now finishing her college training at Sacramento State with a near perfect grade average. She has been working toward a teacher's credential.

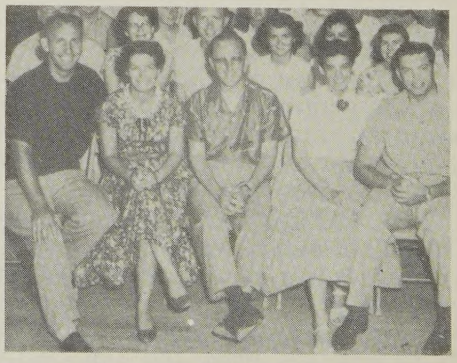
As we have previously stated Bro. Boring has a multitude of responsibilities as C.A. President. Basically his duty is to see that the District C.A. program operates efficiently and effectively. At first glance this may seem a simple obligation but when broken down into what all it entails it becomes obvious that this is a man-size job and it takes a special kind of a person to accomplish it.

Bro. Boring visits (upon invitation) approximately one hundred and fifty churches and C.A. groups a year. He is always ready with helpful suggestions to better the local C.A. program. He plans and conducts five youth

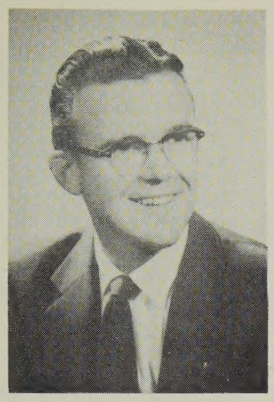
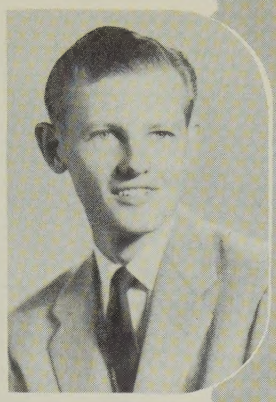
He talks with District Superintendent Leonard Palmer.



He awards trophies and plaques



Plans and directs 5 youth camps a year.

Our District's three C. A. executives, Walt Boring, President; Fulton Buntain, Vice President; Steven Asmuth, Secretary-Treasurer.

RESIDENT

a year by traveling in his private plane.

camps each year. Hundreds of Northern California and Nevada C.A.'s attended these camps every summer. This takes no small amount of long-range planning, organization and prayer. Walt says this is one of his major responsibilities.

Then there is always the annual two-day C.A. Convention that usually takes place during the Thanksgiving holidays. This entails finding a proper location, acquiring a speaker and a dozen other things that goes to organize a youth convention.

Each year a Speed-The-Light tour must be conducted to raise funds to buy equipment to help our missionaries speed the light of the Gospel to the far corners of the world. Recently Bro. Boring and Paul Bruton raised over $15,000 for Speed-The-Light. Bro. Boring is working with the possibility of moving the time of this tour to the Spring of the year due to the over abundance of fall activities.

The District C.A. President must promote national programs such as National Dollar Day, National C.A. Day and the National Goal Program.

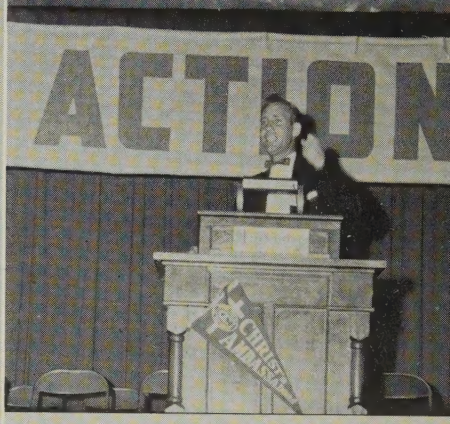
Bro. Boring not only promotes the National Program but is attempting to maintain a strong home district program. He and his fellow officers have developed what they call the "300" club. The number "300" comes from the fact there are approximately 300 C.A. groups in our district. Any group of C. A.'s may become a member and receive a 300 club certificate who systematically supports the District C.A. Department. Bro. Boring is greatly encouraged over the results of the "300" club.

The C.A. President must maintain a C.A. office and handle a large volume of records and correspondence each month. He must supply material for the C.A. page in Glad Tidings Magazine. Each year he speaks to the students and faculty of Bethany Bible College and now due to his position on the National C.A. Committee he has more added responsibilities. Walt Boring humorously states, "other than this I don't have a thing in the world to do!"

When asked what his plans were for the future Bro. Boring said, "The Lord has led me thus far, I will allow Him to take care of the future." ◆End

Walt at home with wife, Katy, 14 year old daughter, Linda and son, Walt Jr., 10.

He discusses C.A. Banner with Santa Cruz Artist, Ralph Gray.



Walt visits 150 churches a year, speaking for C.A. Banquets, Rallies and youth emphasis meetings.

Walt says "the District C.A. program couldn't exist if it were not for our good Sectional C.A. Representatives."

He discusses C.A. problems with youth director Dwight Burchett of San Jose.

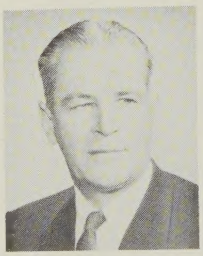
Christmas Greetings

from the DISTRICT OFFICE

Dear Christian Friends:

Nearly 2,000 years ago a star appeared to herald the joyous, glorious news of the coming King. May the Spirit of a gracious living Father renew your heart's living faith at this holy Christmas tide.

In the bonds of His love,
Leonard Palmer
Superintendent.



Christmas Greetings to our Constituency!

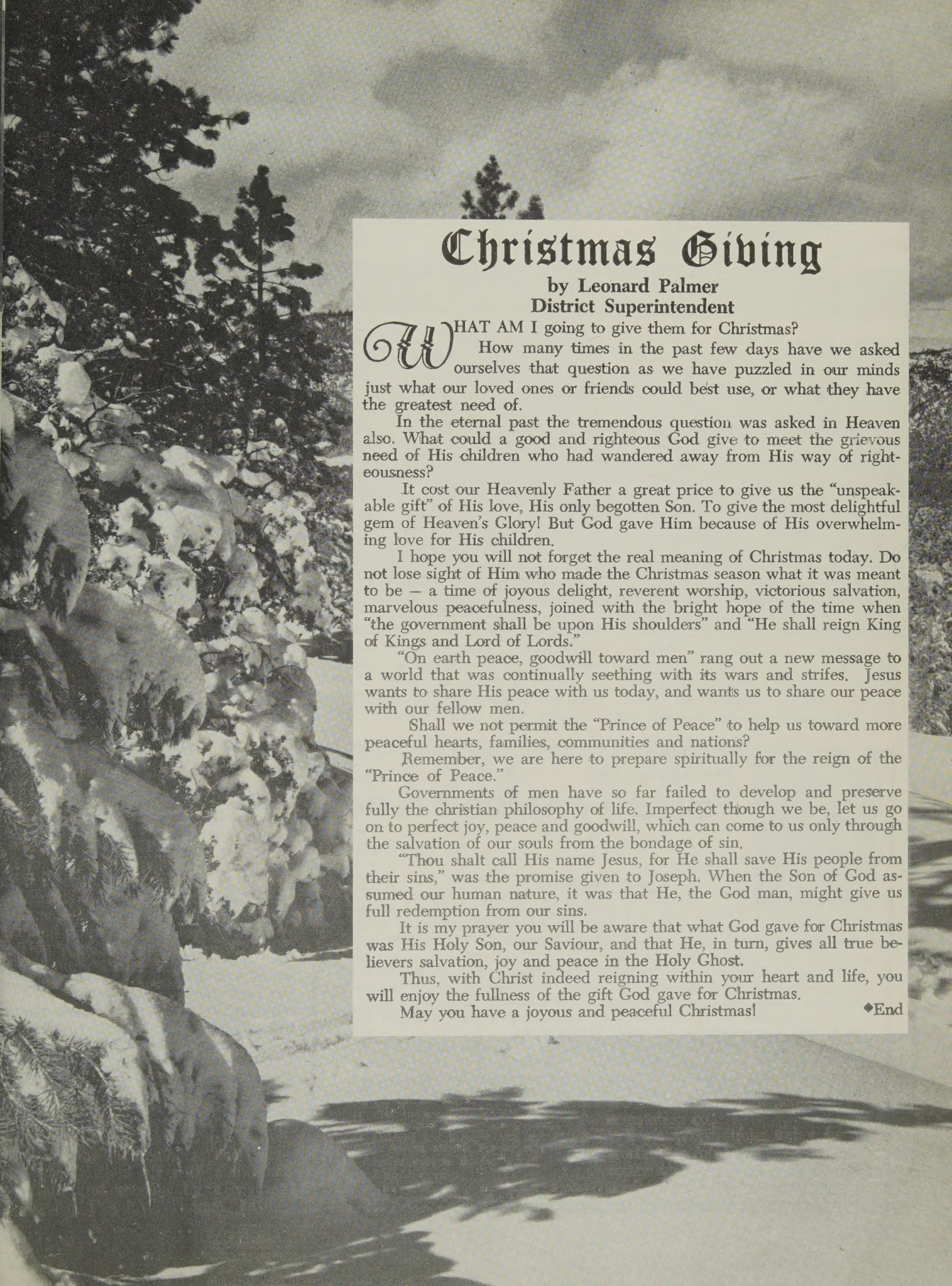
The fact that a Saviour was born is only a statement to many people. To those who have been born again it means that our hope for time and eternity rests upon the fact that Jesus was the Son of God who came to redeem us from our sins.

Season's Best Regards,
R. A. Wilson
Assistant Superintendent.

Joyous Christmas Greetings!

May your hearts be inspired by the glorious message of the angelic hosts, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Yours in Christ,
Joseph L. Gerhart
Secretary-Treasurer.



Christmas Giving

by Leonard Palmer
District Superintendent

WHAT AM I going to give them for Christmas?

How many times in the past few days have we asked ourselves that question as we have puzzled in our minds just what our loved ones or friends could best use, or what they have the greatest need of.

In the eternal past the tremendous question was asked in Heaven also. What could a good and righteous God give to meet the grievous need of His children who had wandered away from His way of righteousness?

It cost our Heavenly Father a great price to give us the "unspeakable gift" of His love, His only begotten Son. To give the most delightful gem of Heaven's Glory! But God gave Him because of His overwhelming love for His children.

I hope you will not forget the real meaning of Christmas today. Do not lose sight of Him who made the Christmas season what it was meant to be – a time of joyous delight, reverent worship, victorious salvation, marvelous peacefulness, joined with the bright hope of the time when "the government shall be upon His shoulders" and "He shall reign King of Kings and Lord of Lords."

"On earth peace, goodwill toward men" rang out a new message to a world that was continually seething with its wars and strifes. Jesus wants to share His peace with us today, and wants us to share our peace with our fellow men.

Shall we not permit the "Prince of Peace" to help us toward more peaceful hearts, families, communities and nations?

Remember, we are here to prepare spiritually for the reign of the "Prince of Peace."

Governments of men have so far failed to develop and preserve fully the christian philosophy of life. Imperfect though we be, let us go on to perfect joy, peace and goodwill, which can come to us only through the salvation of our souls from the bondage of sin.

"Thou shalt call His name Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins," was the promise given to Joseph. When the Son of God assumed our human nature, it was that He, the God man, might give us full redemption from our sins.

It is my prayer you will be aware that what God gave for Christmas was His Holy Son, our Saviour, and that He, in turn, gives all true believers salvation, joy and peace in the Holy Ghost.

Thus, with Christ indeed reigning within your heart and life, you will enjoy the fullness of the gift God gave for Christmas.

May you have a joyous and peaceful Christmas! ◆End

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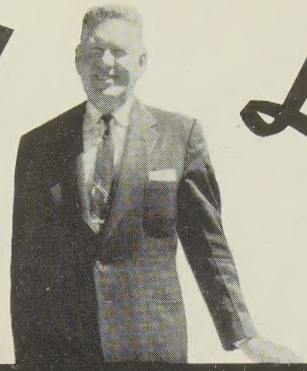

By Leland R. Keys

Q. "Will you go to heaven if you have lived as a Christian all your life but just before Jesus comes you do something that is not Christian?"

A. The Scriptures are very clear in distinguishing between sinning as the practice of ones' life and the temporary lapse or failure of a truly "born again" believer.

In the first case, one who stubbornly, purposefully and habitually commits sin is said to be "of the devil." 1 Jno. 3:8. Furthermore the Word states that such an one "hath not seen him, neither known him." 1 Jno. 3:6.

On the other hand, the believer, through lack of watchfulness, may be overtaken by a fault; there may be a temporary lapse but this does not mean that he lives in sin for the apostle John declares, "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin." 1 Jno. 3:9. The meaning is that he does not make sin the practice of his life.

When a believer fails he is immediately convicted by the Holy Spirit. One of the proofs of his sonship lies in the fact that he is thus convicted and that he turns to God in sorrow and repentance, trusting the blood of Jesus Christ to cleanse him from all unrighteousness. "My little children, these things write I unto you that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for our's only, but also for the sins of the whole world." 1 Jno. 2:1, 2.

God at all times has made provision for the failures of His people in their daily walk. Such provision must of course be appropriated to be effective.

Surely the grace and mercy of God, plus the efficacy of the mediatorial work of Jesus Christ upon the cross are sufficient to cover a believer's need in a moment of temporary lapse for which he *would* be sorry and repent, if given time to do so.

Q. "Should we consider that we have failed in preaching (in a single instance) if the element of unction is missing?"

A. As ministers we all prefer to have the consciousness of divine unction when we are proclaiming the Word of God. Since "unction" is in the realm of our emotions we enjoy having that emotion. However, let it not be forgotten that we have to do with "principalities . . . powers, . . . the rulers of the darkness of this world, . . . spiritual wickedness in high places." Satan is the opposer, — the adversary of God's Word. The preacher may at times have to lilterally fight his way through these powers of Satanic opposition. While so engaged he may not have that enjoyable consciousness of divine unction, but, if he knows that he has a message from God, let him press on and proclaim the Word, knowing that God's Word is not sown in vain regardless of what his own temporary emotion may be while attempting to proclaim it.

Q. "Do God and the Holy Spirit have bodies that are visible?"

A. "God is Spirit. That which is spirit may manifest itself in visible form. God has in times past manifested Himself in visible form. That which was seen in these manifestations of God was not God Himself, — God in His invisible essence, — but a manifestation of God." See Jno. 1:18; Ex. 33: 18-23. In regard to the Holy Spirit, the same principle obtains. See Jno. 1:32.

Q. "Why do we not follow the practice of the early church in holding the communion service every Sunday?"

A. There is evidence that the communion service was held even more frequently than once a week in the early church. However there is no commandment from our Lord or from the apostles in regard to its frequency. Paul says, "*As often as* ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come." 1 Cor. 11:26. Thus it was left to the judgment of the churches as to when the Lord's Supper should be given. Certainly it was celebrated every Lord's Day by the early church. In our day it seems that the monthly communion service suffices to keep it from becoming "common" and yet is frequent enough to keep us from forgetting.

All questions and problems should be mailed to Leland R. Keys, 800 Bethany Dr., Santa Cruz, California.

The Activities of CHURCH EXTENSION PLAN in Our District

E. Wm. ANDERSON

I have been asked to write in this column on THE ACTIVITIES OF CHURCH EXTENSION PLAN in our Northern California-Nevada District. The following is a brief resume of the ministry of CEP:

There are 31 churches in our District being helped through this program. However, several more churches, at present, are being processed for assistance. Also numerous others are interested in having CEP explained to them.

As of October 31, our District's total subscription account stands at $244,105.50. The total church loan figure is $255,633.38.

The national figure for subscriptions stands at a total of $2,184,772.84. Church loan account is $1,892,287.60.

These figures emphasize the constant and consistent development of this program. It is sound in its position. The years have proven its stability. While growing slowly, it has laid a strong foundation. It has inspired the confidence of many banking institutions and lending agencies. The future usefulness of CEP to our churches should be great.

As CEP Representative I am happy to minister to you in this capacity. Letters may be addressed to me at the District Office (P. O. Box 961, Santa Cruz) or to my home address: 718 Laurent St., Santa Cruz. Home phone is GA 3-1325.

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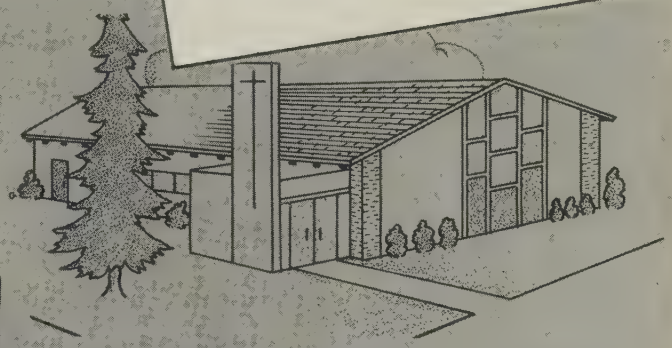

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Pastor Edwin L. Cole

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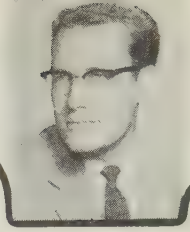
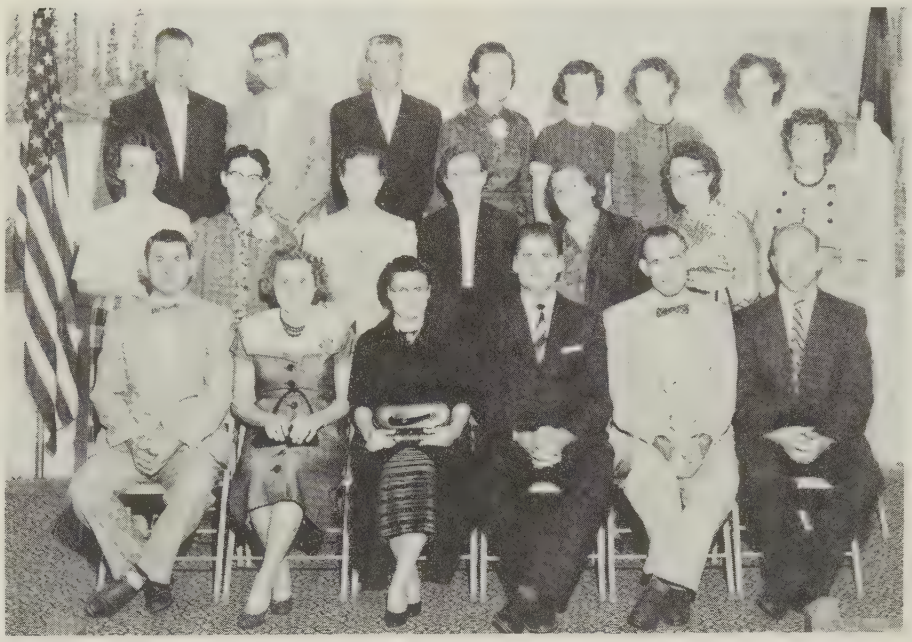


Sunday School Department

Dave Colbert, Director



ALISAL ASSEMBLY OF GOD SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF. From left to right, Front row, Raymond Stallings, Helen Hills, Beulah Willingham, Rev. Joe D. Wright, Pastor Jim Mills, Bill Jackson, 2nd Row Claudia Stracner, Delia Turpin, Clara Bement, Audry Mitchell, Lela Carroll, Jimmy Grider, Jennette Stallings, 3rd Row, Elmo Brock, Thomas Smith, Ted Adams, Jean Coker, Wilda Buell, Clara Ralph, Lavon Dotson.

Our average Sunday School attendance for 1955 was 113, in 1956, 123 and in 1957, 165. During the year of 1956 we had 1 Dept., 9 classes, 3 officers, 9 teachers. In this past year of 1957 we had 5 Depts., 16 classes, 9 officers, 16 teachers. Our average attendance goal for 1958 is 200. Submitted by pastor Joe Wright.

A GOOD IDEA FROM Bethel Temple, Marysville

Bethel Temple, in Marysville had "Open House" on October 2nd. Each department of the church participated by making a booth. Prizes were awarded for originality, work, and content of the booth. The participating departments were Sunday School, Christ Ambassadors, Women's Missionary Council, Men's Fellowship.

The Women's Missionary Council had, among all its displays, one that contained the pictures of all the missionaries that had held meetings in Bethel Temple.

The Sunday School had its literature, children's handwork, a chart with departmental divisions, and the Constitution and pledges that teachers must sign, on display.

It was a most successful evening as it brought each department much closer to the laymembers. The evening was finished off with a musical program and sermon by a visiting evangelist. Floyd W. Thomas, Pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

by G. F. Lewis
Assistant General Superintendent)

85% of all Protestant churches started from the Sunday School.

80% of all church members come from the Sunday school. Only 20% come from any other source.

90% of all Christian workers come from the Sunday school.

90% of all converts were saved under 21 years of age.

65% of all converts were saved before 13 years of age.

30 million boys and girls never enter Sunday school.

80% of all our Sunday school attendants are lost from church.

75% of boys are lost between the ages of 13 and 16.

65% of girls are lost between the ages of 13 and 16.

97% of criminals and delinquents never went to Sunday school.

78% are lost where parents do not attend Sunday school.

90% of juvenile delinquents are from broken homes.

65% of children are brought into the church where both parents are saved.

33% of children are brought into the church where only one parent is saved.

10% of children are brought into the church where neither parent attends Sunday school.

8% of America goes to Sunday school.

2% attend night services.

Therefore we need more and better Sunday schools if we are going to have the kind of church we would like to have tomorrow.

It's Brand New!

CHRISTIAN TEACHERS ASSOCIATION?

by Dave Colbert

The Northern California and Nevada district office of Christian Education has launched a new program that is designed to provide a fellowship for our many pentecostal teachers that are serving in the public schools and christian day schools.

Our christian teachers are rendering a special ministry of christian influence upon the youth of our land and therefore it was thought that there should be some kind of united front established. From this the idea of C.T.F. was born.

The C.T.F. will thus provide a common ground upon which objectives may be formed and executed by our christian teachers. The major objectives of the C.T.F. will be threefold, First, to live a consistent christian life before classroom and fellow teachers; secondly, to encourage christian youth to follow the profession of teaching and thirdly, become effective soul winners.

It is hoped that the various sections of our district will encourage christian teachers to organize a chapter of the C.T.F.

Send all names and addresses of Christian teachers to Dave Colbert, 550 Birch Rd., Newark, Calif.

A new year — 1958 — with new opportunities for advancing and improving your Sunday School. Begin the new year by effectively training your workers to meet these new opportunities. January should be Training Month for EVERY Sunday School.

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Billy Graham CRUSADE TO BE IN SAN FRANCISCO

Recently fourteen hundred ministers of the bay area met with Billy Graham and his team at a king size luncheon at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco. The purpose of the luncheon was to orient the ministers concerning their responsibility in cooperating with the San Francisco Crusade. The program included a preview showing of Graham's newest film "Miracle of Manhatan," The program continued with singing led by Cliff Barrows and a number of speeches by various members of the team and officials of New York Crusade, Billy Graham concluded the five hour session with a talk concerning the great need for revival in our time. Donald Lehmann, pastor of Glad Tidings Temple in San Francisco has been selected as secretary for the coming crusade. Brother Lehmann closed the meeting in prayer.

The six week crusade will be in San Francisco's Cow Palace, beginning in April.

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Evangelists . . . in Our District

"Ira L. Irwin, former minister with the Church of Christ is available for single services or extended meetings. He was healed of a paralyzing disease, Gullian-Barre' Syndrome, and will, upon request, tell how God touched his body and spoke to him concerning the Full Gospel ministry.

He may be contacted at his mailing address: 5566 E. Belmont, Fresno, Calif."

This column entitled "Evangelists in our District" is a free publicity service to Evangelists already in our district or those who plan to be in our area in the near future. Mail correspondence to Glad Tidings Magazine, P. O. Box 961, Santa Cruz, California.

Edith Birmingham

EDITH BIRMINGHAM WITH THE LORD

October 22, 1957

On Tuesday morning, Oct. 22 Edith Birmingham, wife of Rev. Grover Birmingham went to be with the Lord.

Sister Birmingham, a victim of cancer, had been ailing some two years when she passed away. She was born on June 7, 1918, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and came to California in 1936. In 1945 she became the bride of Rev. Grover Birmingham and for several years they traveled together in the Evangelistic Field for the Assemblies of God with which they became affiliated in 1951. Up to a year ago they had been both Pastors and Evangelists in California and Washington. Their first Pastorate was in Turlock with the Gospel Defenders from 1948 to 1949, then to northern Washington with the Full Gospel church at Colville, Wash., from 1950 to 1951. They were pastors of the Alamo Assembly of God church from 1953 to 1954 and then on to Firebaugh from 1954 to 1955.

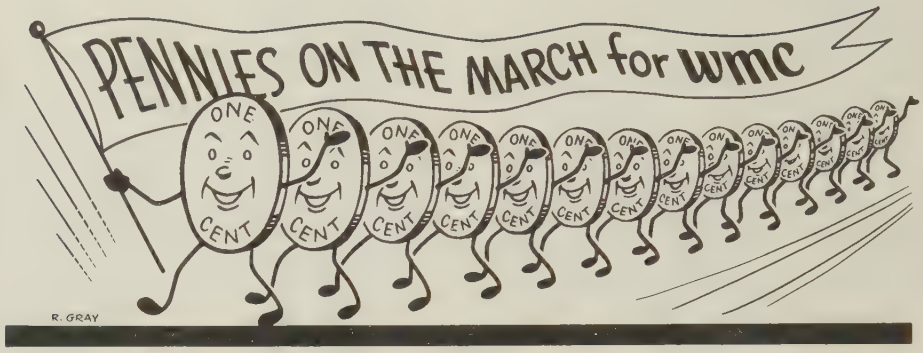
Services were held for Sister Birmingham at the Assembly of God church in Merced. Some 450 friends gathered at the church to pay their last respects. District Superintendent Rev. Leonard Palmer and Rev. Otto Schmidt of Atwater officiated. Both ministers made reference of Sister Birmingham's vision of heaven she had before her passing.

The Pallbearers were Rev. Lawrence Wood of Madera, Rev. Verlyn Skore of Stockton, Rev. L. J. Strayer of Madera, Rev. Earl Gould of Merced, Rev. Travis Baker of Kerman and Rev. Jack McAdoo of Merced.

Honorary pallbearers were Mrs. Verlyn Skore of Stockton, Mrs. Bill Bettencourt of Chowchilla, Mrs. Walter Moody of Arcata, Mrs. L. J. Strayer of Madera, Mrs. Billie S. Parks of Fresno, and Mrs. Robert Bubb of Mountain View.

Rev. Birmingham and family wish to express their gratitude for the many acts of kindness during this time of berevement. —Submitted by Bertha Silveira, Atwater Assembly of God.

Sis. Fern Murray has resigned as Sec. Treas. of the W.M.C. department. Along with all of her church duties she is employed by the Santa Cruz Welfare Department. This makes it impossible for her to carry the duties of the W.M.C.



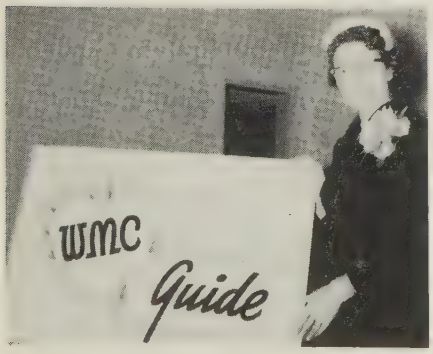
Let's get ready for the District Council Penny Parade February 23-27 at Richmond's Full Gospel Temple.

The W.M.C.'s of Northern California and Nevada are saving pennies again this year to help furnish Fremont Assembly, the third new church being built under the Church Extension Fellowship Program.

The "Penny March" is an inspirational part of the W.M.C. Day at the District Council, and shows how MUCH can be done with so LITTLE a thing as a penny. This past year's penny collection went to buy beautiful pews for our Northland C.E.F. church.

In February our pennies brought to the District Council in the city of Richmond, will go to help furnish another C.E.F. project; the Fremont Assembly of God.

Let's all put our shoulder to the wheel and "Do more in '58 than ever before."



The President on tour.

We have just completed our fall tour in all the sections of our district. We are amazed at the tremendous contribution the women are making to the work of our fellowship, and to know that our greatest accomplishments for the Lord cannot be put down on paper.

Looking back on the year, I find a renewed appreciation for our W. M. C. officers and members who have cooperated so beautifully through another year to make the Women's Missionary Council the blessing and benefit around the world. Personally I want to thank you for your loyalty and faithfulness. The load has been considerably heavier this year because of the necessity for more rigid economy in the face of the rapid increase of work and responsibility.

We have carried two heavy projects this fall besides the outfitting of several missionaries. Mission Villa homes are nearly completed and are going to be furnished by our W.M.C.'s. We received pledges from the groups present at our Regional Conventions. We also received offerings to furnish our W.M.C. office in our new District Office building. We would greatly appreciate any contributions toward either of these projects.

Something different was presented by the ladies of the Sacramento Valley Section at Oroville, where Rev. and Mrs. Scott are the pastors. They had a style show of childrens garments made for our different foreign missionary children. By the pictures you will see how thrilled our babies, boys and girls were to show the garments made for our boys and girls in foreign lands. The displays of things made for Christmas boxes were beautiful. Good work ladies!

Credential Candidates

The following Candidates for Ministerial Recognition and for Change of Status have been interviewed by the Credentials Interviewing Committees and are being recommended to the District Credentials Committee for approval and final ratification at the District Council Convention in February, 1958. (All credentials are issued effective March 15, 1958).

ORDINATION —
Sam L. Klein (from other organization)

LICENSE —
L. M. Boyles
Ira L. Irwin
Irene Kaufman (Reinstatement-Provisional)
Clarence R. McCarty
James W. Macauley, Jr.
Billy E. Roberts (Reinstatement)
Edith Wilderman (Reinstatement)
Lenore R. Wilson
Mrs. A. S. Erickson (Reinstatement)

CHRISTIAN WORKER —
John P. Bratcher
Donnie W. Cunningham
Charles B. Dalton
Glen A. Enlow
Robert Florence
Roy Hughes
Charles M. Jarvis
Dale A. Lapp
Vernon B. Mayhall, Sr.
James R. Miller
George R. Scott
L. T. Weaver (Reinstatement)
W. W. Welshenbaugh
E. E. Willcutt
F. E. Zimmerman
Vance E. Reynolds

CHANGE FROM CW TO LICENSED —
George E. Anderson
H. J. Cooper
Ruth M. Cooper
Orville W. Gosnell
Lowell G. Middleton

CHANGE FROM LICENSED TO ORDAINED —
Harold B. Calkins
Leslie M. Ellsworth
Edgar Fox
Homer P. Hale
Virgil L. Hardman
Ralph W. Hiatt
Garfield C. Hosking
Lester L. Kersey
Donel Leach
James P. McMenis
Earl K. McMilin
Paul T. Nielsen
Olen C. Vest (Provisional)
Kenneth J. Whitlatch
Joe D. Wright
A. S. Erickson (Reinstatement)

SECRETARY'S REPORT
October 1957

MINISTERS —
Total at first of year 985
Total at first of month 1004
Total at end of month 1003

TRANSFERRED IN —
Kenneth E. Brown — Ord. from Montana District.
Paul Seaberg, Lic. from So. California District.
Orville W. Gosnell, Ch. Wkr. from So California District.

TRANSFERRED OUT —
Robert C. Jones — Ord., West Florida.
Elmer T. Bueno — Ord. So. California.

DECEASED —
Edith L. Birmingham — Ord.

WITHDREW —
Raymond E. Needham — Ch. Wkr.

CHURCHES —
Total at first of year 321
Total at first of month 324
Total at end of month 324

CHURCHES AFFILIATED —
Ft. Bragg A of G from Dependent.
Sunnyvale Glad Tidings from Associated.
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MISSIONARIES ABROAD

FORMOSA —

James and Marjorie Baker, Formosa, report the new church at Chungli has an average attendance of 50 adults. Harold Herman is back in Formosa and three city-wide campaigns are being planned. Free China's "Chief Justice of the Supreme Court" and representative of the World Court, Dr. Wang, is on the committee formed to plan these meetings.

URUGUAY —

Elaine Daniels, Uruguay, S. A. has found it necessary to change cars.

INDIA —

Ovid and Helen Dillingham, Saharanpur, India are rejoicing in an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon missionaries of other denominations. Thirteen have received to date. Many others are tarrying. Brother Dillingham is now the superintendent of the Western District with its added responsibilities.

FIJI ISLANDS —

Adrian and Charlotte Heetebry, Suva, Fiji Islands write of two nurses and a doctor being saved recently. Their school now numbers 25 full time and as many more part time students. They can use Evangels and Sunday School papers for 1957. Bro. Heetebry's hearing has greatly improved.

WEST AFRICA —

John and Daisy Kennedy, Sierra Leone, W. Africa found it necessary to give up their station wagon for the more practical but uncomfortable jeep. The former wasn't able to take the torturous wear. One Sunday afternooon fetish gods were burned and thirteen natives baptised in water. They hope soon to build their own church as well as a house for the missionary to occupy.

WEST AFRICA —

Robert and Olga Renfroe, Liberia, W. Africa write some Bible Students do without food for days in order to stay in school.

ALASKA —

Agnes Rodli, Valdez, Alaska is now at North Pole (fifteen miles south of Fairbanks) teaching and assisting Brother and Sister Paul Bills in their church.

ALASKA —

David Schmidt, Valdez, Alaska, reports a full year of labor. Recently on a hunting trip he was able to bring back a moose and caribou, much needed for meat.

JAPAN —

Fredolf and Ardelle Sondeno, Tokyo, Japan write of the tragic despair of the Japanese. Daily dozens commit suicide. However some are being reached through a radio ministry and lives transformed.

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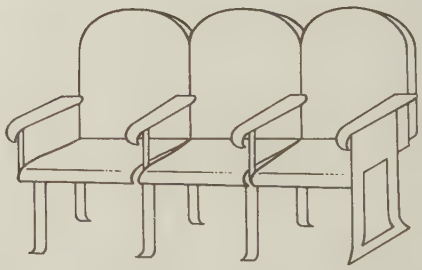

TRADEWAY is now in the process of purchasing Auditorium Chairs from the Oakland Auditorium that are being removed for new replacements. 4,000 are available at $2.95 each or less in quantities. Also may be purchased at our store and picked up directly at the Auditorium at a *greater discount*. We invite you to come and see at your earliest convenience.

For Further Information Contact

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WEST AFRICA —

Paul and Miriam Wright, Nyasaland, W. Africa and their family had a severe attack of the "Asian flu" and were delayed over a week on their trip north from Capetown. Later Bro. Wright suffered a relapse and his wife feared for his life. After another week in bed and losing 12 opunds he was able to go on. They are back to normal and busy building and teaching. He helped provide meat for their recent conference including a zebra and eland.

(The Wrights also write of Sister Garlock's car being pushed into the bank by an African truck. She was unhurt.)

BAHAMAS —

Paul and Norma Bell have spent four full months in the Bahamas. They are returning to the States to work in South Portland, Maine.

MISSIONARIES at HOME

By Margaret Bond

Word has recently been received that Brother and Sister CALVIN ZEISSLER expect to return home from the Philippines in December. We give them a hearty "welcome home" and wish for them a joyous and blessed Christmas season.

To others of our dear missionary friends we will be waving "Good-bye" and praying God's blessing upon them as they leave at this season to accomplish the mission which God ordained in sending His Son to be born in a lowly manger.

The LOWELL DOWDYS have returned from a tour into the state of Oregon and will be sailing for Chile this month.

The ARTHUR LINDVALLS are making plans to leave about the 28th of December to start driving down to El Salvador, Central America.

LEWIS and LENORE WILSON will soon finish their itinerating in the District and hope to be ready to sail for Africa around the first of the year.

The San Joaquin Sections have recently enjoyed the ministry of Brother PAUL COOPER as he has itinerated there.

LATE FLASH!

The Southern California District Superintendent has recently suffered a cerebral hemorrhage. He is on the critical list and his entire left side and throat are paralyzed. Please pray for his recovery.

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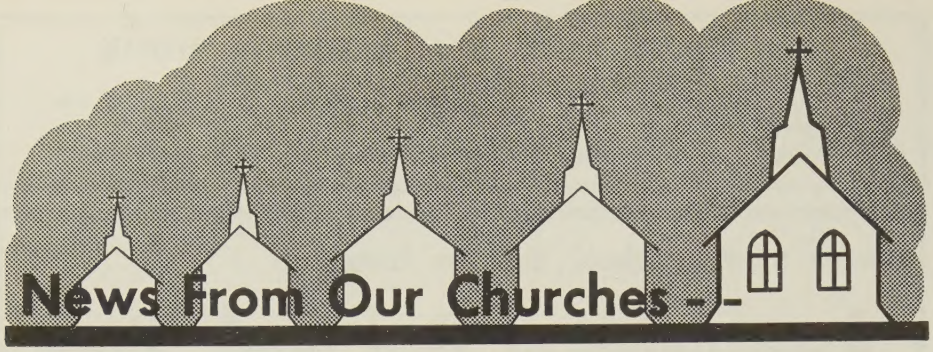

BETHANY PARK —

Gerald Boyd has been appointed to serve Bethany Park as pastor.

CASTRO VALLEY —

The church has called Pastor E. O. Robeck.

CORNING —

Members of the First Assembly of God honored Pastor and Mrs. Joseph Harper with a dinner and gift on their tenth anniversary as pastors in Corning. During this time a parsonage has been built, also a Sunday School annex, the church interior remodeled, opera chairs installed and a cooling system put in.

CRESCENT CITY —

Pastor Rhodes reports they recently celebrated their seventh anniversary in Crescent City. At that time a cash offering for the building was received. The front of the church has been completed, parking lots graveled and lighted. The Sunday School averaged 193 last year. Evangelists Bessie Fisher and Nell Gaines Cheek have been there for a revival.

EUREKA —

The Assembly of God has called John Smith from Lamont as pastor.

FAIRMEAD —

The new pastor is Stella Myers.

FORT BRAGG —

At the fellowship meeting held Oct. 14, the Lake and Mendocino Section welcomed Pastor and Mrs. George McQueen, the new Fort Bragg ministers. J. R. Edgar of Ukiah and Evangelist Richard Jeffreys of Lakeport were the speakers with K. Bird of Willits speaking on Sunday Schools.

HAWTHORNE, NEVADA —

Pastor Charles Shaw reports a revival recently with the "Singing Wyricks." Many new people came to the services and a number were at the altar for salvation.

HOOPA —

Phil Lyon is the new pastor. The Lyons have been assisting Pastor Ed Gomes in Santa Clara.

KERMAN —

Assembly of God Pastor Travis Baker reports souls saved and reclaimed.

MADERA —

The Yosemite Avenue Church has called John Lilly as pastor.

MODESTO —

South Assembly W.M.C. are sponsoring a new rubber tile floor for the church auditorium. J. W. Sandlin is pastor.

MONTEREY —

The Oak Grove Tabernacle and Pastor Mary Avila have enjoyed a revival recently.

OAKLAND —

Calvary Temple had recently as guest speaker Clarence Maloney who was born and reared in South India. After finishing his education in the States he is returning to India.

PACIFIC GROVE —

The First Assembly of God enjoyed the ministry of Major Frank Griepp, U.S. Army Chaplain who presented a series of services on the theme: "Make Your Bible Come Alive." Pastor Leonard Weston says he considers the series as valuable as a Teacher Training Course. Brother Griepp may be reached at 434 North Street, Oakland 9.

PITTSBURG —

At Bella Vista souls have been saved and believers filled. The Sunday School has more than doubled and the buildings have been improved. W. L. Farmer, pastor.

REDDING —

Bethel Church has announced Bernice Mast and Oeta Webb as their Educational and Musical Directors. The pastor is Robert T. Doherty.

SACRAMENTO —

Bethel Temple and friends enjoyed an evening of fellowship and food at the Governor's Hall Oct. 22. This was sponsored by the Men's Fellowship. Pastor Donald Lehman of San Francisco was the speaker. The music department provided special music.

SACRAMENTO —

Glad Tidings has been contributing toward the Mission Villa by the labor of Horace Winders. Gerald Baser is pastor.

SAN FRANCISCO —

Glad Tidings Temple Pastor Donald Lehman is secretary for the city-wide Billy Graham Meetings.

SAN JOSE —

CALVARY TEMPLE began meetings with Evangelist Ralph Cranston in October. Kermit Jeffrey is pastor.

SAN RAFAEL —

Pastor and Mrs. Louis Weston, newly elected pastors, were guests of honor at a reception held in October. Following dinner and a musical program they were presented with a gift from the church.

SANTA CRUZ —

Bethel Assembly has started street, jail and rest-home services. Ray McCarty, pastor.

SANTA CRUZ —

First Assembly enjoyed the music and preaching of the Reed Evangelistic Party. Raymond Murray, pastor.

SANTA ROSA —

Adrian Benning of Escalon has been called as pastor.

SEASIDE —

Pastor Lee Mildon now has Bethany Bible College student Fred Gilbert as his assistant on week-ends.

STOCKTON —

Calvary Tabernacle recently had as evangelists the Darden Party. Pastor Leonard Rogers was chairman of the Oral Roberts Meetings held in October.

SUNNYVALE —

First Assembly of God entertained the Peninsula Sectional Fellowship Meeting Nov. 18. The afternoon speaker was Donald Lehman and evening speaker L. R. Keys. The pastor is R. W. Hillagas.

SUNNYVALE —

Glad Tidings Assembly was set in order Oct. 11 by Presbyter Carl Curtwrite. Acting Pastor Esther Brady was elected for an indefinite term, a constitution was accepted, membership roster signed, officers elected. There is an active Sunday School, C.A. group and a building fund has been started.

THORN —

The new pastor is Clifton Brown.

TUOLUMNE —

The C.A. Rally and Talent Contest for the Central San Joaquin Section was held Oct. 14 with Pastor Donald Annas of Manteca speaking.

WATSONVILLE —

Pajaro Full Gospel Church and Pastor Julio Panattoni were hosts to the Coast Counties Fellowship Meeting Oct. 28. Fred Greve of Bethany Bible College was afternoon speaker. Evangelist Wendell Reed brought the evening message after several musical numbers by his party.

PLACERVILLE —

Paul and Darlene (nee Richter) Miller are the parents of Paula Rae born Sept. 28.

WOOD LAKE —

Pastor and Mrs. Willie Rudd of Wood Lake welcomed Stephen Wayne Oct. 29.

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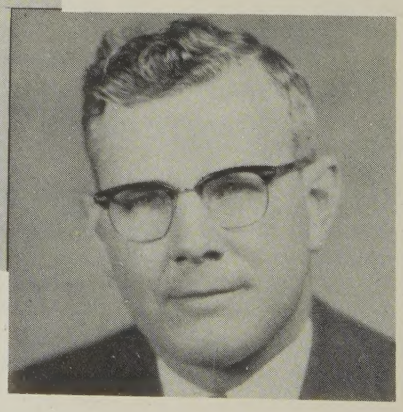

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